

Middle Tennessee State University
Faculty Senate
September 10, 2007

- 1 Roll Call
 - a) Members Present – F. Amey, M. Balachandran, D. Belcher, R. Blair, P. Bradley, C. Bratten, L. Burris, D. Campbell, J. Carter, F. Crawford, J. Davis, W. Dornan, M. Foster, C. Frost, B. Haskew, J. Hausler, C. Higgins, W. Ilesley, T. Johnston, N. Kelker, J. LeBlond, M. Linton, A. Lutz, J. Marcellus, M. Martin, R. McBride, N. McCormick, D. McSwain, L. Mulrairie, K. Nofsinger, T. Perry, D. Penn, J. Pennington, T. Ring, K. Smith, R. Untch, L. Warise, W. Warren, J. Williams,
 - b) Members Excused – M. Arndt, A. Miller, J. Wermert
 - c) Members Absent – J. Cain, S. Cantrell, J. Cole, W. Cribb, S. Daughtery, G. Freeman, R. Hood, T. McBreen, J. Sauls, S. Seipel, G. Vernardakis, A. Williams,
- 2 Approval of May Minutes – Minutes were approved as submitted
- 3 Treasurer's Report
 - a) Operating Budget: \$2,971.33
 - b) Travel: \$856.00
 - c) Discretionary Account: \$113.52
- 4 Presentation by Barbara Draude & Faye Johnson – Learning, Teaching & Innovative Technologies Center- description of attributes, resources and mission
- 5 Presentation by Buddy Peaster, & Tom Tozer – Disaster Drills and Emergency Preparedness – motivation, procedures, and dissemination of information –
Please register for text messaging for emergencies
- 6 President's report –

There was no June meeting, so the following announcements are somewhat extensive.

 - a) Expansion of Senate office staff, functions – New position has been funded for administrative support of Faculty Senate; HR is reviewing the proposed position announcement. New equipment is being funded for copier, and services to university standing committees.
 - b) Establishment of Faculty Group on Pipeline – all faculty will be initially enrolled; draft documents can be posted here
 - c) Cell phones and text messaging – Please consider your classroom management to accommodate the needs of safety.
 - d) New textbook law – legislature passed law (posted on Faculty Senate website) which requires text price review. Small ad hoc committee of 2 faculty individuals - Jane Davis & Buddy Freeman - will develop procedures on Dr. Gebert's committee.
 - e) I'm One Campaign – see current information.
 - f) Other – 916 full-time faculty at MTSU now.
- 7 Old business-
- 8 Action on recommendations from Faculty/Staff Health and Fitness Committee – Passed unanimously to approve the report as presented May, 2007.
- 9 Action on recommendations from Government Liaison Committee - Passed unanimously to approve the report as presented May, 2007.
- 10 New business

- a) Final report from 06-07 Research/Workload Committee – Presented for review, to be acted on October Faculty Senate meeting. Come back with questions.
 - b) Establishment of 07-08 Faculty Senate Committees – Request for volunteers for various committees
 - c) Volunteer(s) for Ad Hoc Textbook Policy Committee – Jane Davis & Buddy Freeman
 - d) Resolution in Support of Cultural Diversity Conference – resolution presented by Chuck Frost & Shaw McEwen - Discussed and passed as submitted. Included in attachment in minutes.
 - e) Resignation of two members because of conflicts with scheduling: Pat Bradley and Clare Bratten are unable to serve on Steering/Liaison committees. We need to elect representation from MCOM and Liberal Arts. Elected were F. Amey (Sociology & Anthropology) and Jane Davis (Library) by acclamation
 - f) Volunteer for International Education and Exchange Committee – Clare Bratten
- 11 General Discussion Item: Role of Faculty Senate and Faculty Senators
- a) Please take responsibilities to your constituencies seriously
 - b) Please bring copies of materials to meetings for the next month or two
 - c) Please remind colleagues to be present at all meetings.
- 12 Adjournment